

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees was held on Tuesday, September 18, 2001 at 8 PM in Village Hall, 28 Beekman Avenue, Sleepy Hollow, New York.

Present: Mayor Philip Zegarelli

Mario DiFelice
Patricia Rodriguez
Donald Stever
Richard Zieja
Robert Hagle Trustees

Also Present: Edward Lammers, Village Attorney
Dwight Douglas, Village Administrator
Barbara Napoli, Village Treasurer

Absent: Trustee James Hart

Mayor Zegarelli asked that everyone stand to pause and reflect on the events of the past week and called the meeting to order with a pledge to the flag.

Public Hearing-None

Approval of Minutes

Trustee Stever moved, seconded by Trustee DiFelice to approve the minutes of August 28, 2001, motion carried 5-0 with one addition to the minutes that Trustee DiFelice told Mr. Jimenez that since he was in court, the Board could not discuss any of the topics Mr. Jimenez was talking about.

Mayor Zegarelli asked for a motion to adjust the agenda, Trustee DiFelice moved, seconded by Trustee Rodriguez and carried.

Mayor Zegarelli stated that this tragedy has brought out the best in the people of Sleepy Hollow. Volunteers have been going to the city with trucks, fire trucks and the Police Department has also been going there. The Mayor commented that he is very proud of the people of this village.

The Mayor commented that Counsel has been asked to look at all avenues to set up our own Ambulance Corp. He called on residents and others to help set this up.

The Mayor reported that this past weekend we had a terrible fire at 16 Andrews Lane where unfortunately one person died.

He asked Robert Stiloski, our Fire Inspector and Director of Fire and Life Safety to give us an update and explain how inspections and finding violations are handled.

Mr. Stiloski gave a brief explanation on this and an update on the fire.

Mayor Zegarelli reported that the Village of Tarrytown and Sleepy Hollow will be holding a Candlelight Service on Sunday, September 23rd at 6:30 pm in Patriots Park. Sleepy Hollow will have a bonfire at Sleepy Hollow High School field following the candlelight service.

Our Street Festival and Columbus Day Parade will be held on Saturday, October 6th and the 199th National Band will lead the parade. The Columbus Day spaghetti dinner was successful.

Approval of Warrants

Trustee Stever moved, seconded by Trustee DiFelice to approve the warrants and authorize the Treasurer to pay the bills, motion carried 5-0. Total of the General fund was \$1,352,542.35, total of the Water & Sewer fund was \$589,225.11 and the Capital fund total was \$131,980.79.

Public Comments-None

Trustees Reports

Trustee Stever had no report but asked that everyone stand for a moment of silence for the Mayor's father, Edward Zegarelli who passed away recently.

Trustees Zieja and Hagle had no reports.

Trustee Rodriguez reported that the Westchester County Planning Department will be meeting regarding signage in the village. The Greenway Compact will meet this Thursday regarding the adoption of a signage program.

Trustee DiFelice read the attached Public Works Report. He stated that members of our Police Department have been volunteering their time at the site of the World Trade Center tragedy.

Administrator's Report

Dwight Douglas reported on upcoming items such as 79 College Avenue contract.

He met with the Police Sub-committee and received a draft copy of the report from Iona to be read at the October 23rd meeting.

We have begun working on the joint application to the State regarding the T21 application between Tarrytown and Sleepy Hollow on the beautification of Broadway.

We have received the first draft from our attorney regarding Open Space Conservancy.

We have received a draft report of the revitalization of the business district.

Village employees and trustees should get their ID cards before the October 2nd meeting.

Resolutions-Attached

Trustee Stever commented that there should be a preamble to the first resolution regarding Kendal-on-Hudson. Trustee Stever moved to table the first resolution on the floor briefly to be brought back after the preamble to this resolution, seconded by Trustee DiFelice and carried.

On the preamble resolution, Trustee Stever moved, seconded by Trustee Rodriguez and carried. Trustee Stever then moved to withdraw the table originally on the floor, seconded by Trustee DiFelice and carried.

There was a brief recess.

Mayor Zegarelli appointed Bruno Volpacchio to the Zoning Board to fill the unexpired term of John Morabito. Trustee DiFelice moved, seconded by Trustee Stever to approve this appointment, carried.

Mayor Zegarelli appointed Steven Shroba, Peter Schmidt and Susan Marshall to the Tree Commission.

Old Business

Trustee Stever moved that the area on Continental Street designated for parking permits be officially made parking spaces, seconded by Trustee DiFelice and motion carried.

Trustee DiFelice commented on the status of the parking meters to be placed on Broadway and Valley Street. The Mayor stated that this needs more discussion.

New Business-None

Public Comments

Don Caetano did not feel that all residents are treated equally by the Director of Fire and Life Safety with regard to needing permits to erect fences, etc. He also questioned the policing of Margotta Courts and College Arms as compared to the Van Tassel.

Mario Belanich asked if the PILOT agreement for Kendal was the same as the one many years ago for GM. The Mayor responded that this is quite different and we will be receiving much more in payments.

There being no further comments, Trustee Rodriguez moved, seconded by Trustee Hagle to adjourn the meeting, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Angela Everett-Village Clerk